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Applicants: Virginia M. Litwin et al.

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Sir:

PETITION FOR A THREE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

Applicants hereby request a three-month extension of time for filing a request for continued examination (RCE) which applicants are submitting concurrently.

The required fee for a three-month extension of time as set forth in 37 C.F.R. \$1.1136(a) and \$1.17(a)(3) is FOUR HUNDRED AND SEVENTY-FIVE DOLLARS (\$475.00) for a small entity, and a check for this amount is enclosed.

Applicants filed a Notice of Appeal on March 24, 2004 which was received by the Patent Office on March 29, 2004. Thus, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.192(a), an Appeal Brief was originally due May 29, 2004. With a three-month extension of time, the due date for filing an RCE in lieu of an Appeal Brief is August 29, 2004. Accordingly, the concurrently filed RCE is timely.

No fee, other than the enclosed \$475.00 fee for a three-month extension of time, is deemed necessary in connection with the filing of this Petition. However, if any additional fee is required, authorization is hereby given to charge the amount

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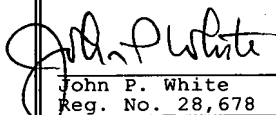
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